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FOR HARTMAN FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR YO EAR PINS
SUBJ: MEETING WITH BERNARDIC

REF: (A) BELGRADE 6142, (B) BONN 15565

1. IN ADDITION TO BERNARDIC MEETING WITH ME TODAY,
SEP 17 (REFTEL A), BERNARDIC ON SEP 16 GAVE
FRG AMBASSADOR HERE A CROSS-PROTEST ABOUT WEST GERMAN
PRESS HANDLING OF BOTH CARLOS AND TWA HIJACKING.
GERMAN AMBASSADOR HAD GONE IN TO MAKE DEMARCHE ALONG
LINES OUTLINED REFTEL B, AFTER WHICH BERNARDIC RESPONDED
THAT WEST GERMAN MEDIA'S DESCRIPTION OF THE POLITICAL AIMS OF
THE "USTASHI TERRORISTS PUT INTO QUESTION THE POLICE-TO-POLICE
COOPERATION WHICH HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED WITH THE FRG."
GERMAN AMBASSADOR WAS TOLD THAT THE RELEVANT GOY
AUTHORITIES HAD CHECKED CAREFULLY INTO ALLEGATIONS
ABOUT PRESENCE OF CARLOS, HAD DETERMINED
THERE WAS SOMEONE WHO LOOKED LIKE CARLOS WHO HAD
ENTERED YUGOSLAVIA BUT HAD FOUND THIS PERSON WAS NOT CARLOS.
GERMAN AMBASSADOR SAID: "WHY DID IT TAKE TEN DAYS
FOR GOY TO GIVE FRG THIS INFORMATION," ADDITING THAT THIS
CALLED INTO QUESTION THE CREDIBILITY OF THE YUGOSLAV RESPONSE.
BERNARDIC REPORTEDLY MADE NO RESPONSE TO THIS QUERY.

2. UNDERSTAND AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR SEEING BERNARDIC
AFTERNOON SEP 17 TO GET GOY RESPONSE TO AUSTRIAN
DEMARCHE OF LAST WEEK. SLBERMAN
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